

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 10, 13-14, 16 and 18-20 in accordance with the following listing of claims.

1. (Currently Amended) An image sharing system for displaying a shared image at a plurality of computer display devices connected via a network, and provided with a synchronization server connected to the plurality of computers via the network, wherein the synchronization server comprises:

receiving means for receiving content of operations carried out for selecting and editing the shared image at the plurality of computers;

accumulating means for accumulating and assigning order in order of receipt to received operation content; and

distribution means for distributing operation content accumulated at the accumulating means to the plurality of computers in the order of accumulation.

2. (Original) The image sharing system of claim 1, wherein the accumulating means of the synchronization server accumulates content for operations received from the plurality of computers in such a matter as to assign order in units of elements comprising content displayed at display devices of the plurality of computers.

3. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 2, wherein the distribution means of the synchronization server receiving content of operations adds identification information for identifying which operation of “distribute to all of the plurality of computers connected via the network”, or “distribute to all of the computers connected via the network excluding the computer sending to the synchronization server” is to be performed as attribute information for the operation content for content of each operation of the plurality of computers received by the synchronization server.

4. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of computers connected via the network are provided with operation content

transmission means for delaying transmission of operation content to the synchronization server according to content of the operation.

5. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 1, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.

6. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 1, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers of customers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.

7. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 1, wherein the distribution means of the synchronization server receiving content of operations adds identification information for identifying which operation of “distribute to all of the plurality of computers connected via the network”, or “distribute to all of the computers connected via the network excluding the computer sending to the synchronization server” is to be performed as attribute information for the operation content for content of each operation of the plurality of computers received by the synchronization server.

8. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 7, wherein each of the plurality of computers connected via the network are provided with operation content transmission means for delaying transmission of operation content to the synchronization server according to content of the operation.

9. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 2, wherein each of the plurality of computers connected via the network are provided with operation content transmission means for delaying transmission of operation content to the synchronization server according to content of the operation.

10. (Currently Amended) The image sharing system of claim ~~1~~ 3, wherein each of the plurality of computers connected via the network are provided with operation content transmission means for delaying transmission of operation content to the synchronization server according to the content of the operation.

11. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 10, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.

12. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 7, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.

13. (Currently Amended) The image sharing system of claim ~~1~~ 2, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.

14. (Currently Amended) The image sharing system of claim 2 ~~13~~, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers of customers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.

15. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 7, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers of customers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.

16. (Currently Amended) The image sharing system of claim ~~1~~ 3, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers of customers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.

17. (Previously Presented) The image sharing system of claim 3, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.

18. (Currently Amended) The image sharing system of claim ~~3~~ 10, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers of customers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.

19. (Currently Amended) The image sharing system of claim ~~2~~ 4, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either customer operated terminal devices of a financial institution or terminal devices operated by an operator.

20. (Currently Amended) The image sharing system of claim ~~2~~ 4, wherein the plurality of computers connected via the network are either personal computers carrying out on-line shopping connected to the internet or computer terminals operated by operators of a merchant-side help desk.